ACQUISITIONS MANAGEMENT

<u>COMMERCE INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (COMMITS) - OPERATIONS</u> (Initiated in FY-1999) (PROJECT 7116000)

<u>Description of Service:</u> The <u>Commerce Information Technology Solutions (COMMITS)</u> Program is a Government-Wide Agency Contract (GWAC) that provides performance-based information technology services and solutions. The COMMITS program is designed to accomplish three objectives:

- 1. Deliver top quality IT services and solutions to meet government organizations' missions.
- 2. Deliver IT services and solutions utilizing a streamlined acquisition methodology.
- 3. Provide a talented pool of small business contractors capable of delivering the government's IT requirements.

COMMITS provides the Commerce Department and other federal agencies with an efficient and effective means of awarding IT service and solution requirements, and assists the federal government with acquiring essential IT services utilizing high quality, performance-focused contractors. The program does this through the use of competitively awarded performance-based tasks.

Basis of Charge: COMMITS is a fee-for-service program. Operating units and bureaus are not charged for costs associated with this program, unless they choose to contract through COMMITS.

INDIRECT COST REVIEWS (Initiated in FY-2003) (PROJECT 7147000)

<u>Description of Service:</u> This project supports the evaluation of indirect cost rate proposals received from recipients of federal assistance awards, i.e., grantees, for which DoC is cognizant or has oversight. In addition to the review, negotiation, and completion of indirect cost proposals, this also includes the review of cost allocation plans and the methodology and principles used in pooling indirect costs and establishing a common base for distributing those costs to ensure that each federal grant making agency bears its fair share.

<u>Basis of Charge - Manual:</u> Each bureau will be charged for reviews conducted on recipients funded by that bureau.